

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Masato SHIMADA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/199,816

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For: INK JET RECORDING HEAD AND INK JET RECORDER



Group Art Unit: 2853

Examiner: Dickens, C.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Claims 1-66 are all the claims pending in the application.

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect *without traverse* the invention of Group I, claims 1-55, and 64-66, drawn to an ink jet recording head.

Applicants respectfully request that this application be examined on the merits at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner have any questions or wish to discuss this application, she is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

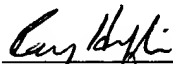
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Applicants hereby petition for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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